



City of Barrie

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Final Active Transportation and Sustainability Advisory Committee

Tuesday, May 3, 2022

10:00 AM

Virtual Meeting

For consideration by the City Building Committee on June 7, 2022.

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Councillor, K. Aylwin at 10:03 a.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 9 - Councillor K. Aylwin
A. Pelan
E. Jacoby-Hawkins
E. vanWesenbeeck
J. Northcote
K. Patterson-McGrath
L. Hoffarth
S. Diaz - SMDHU
S. Warren

Absent: 2 - Councillor A. Kungl
W. Steimle

STAFF:

Committee Support Clerk, B. Thompson
Manager of Parks and Forestry Operations, K. Bradley
Senior Transportation Operations Tech, J. MacDonald
Supervisor of Urban Forestry and Natural Areas Stewardship, K. Rankin

The Active Transportation and Sustainability Committee met and reports as follow(s):

NATURE BARRIE

Dorothy McKeown, Nature Barrie provided a presentation on the Barrie Bird Friendly City Certification.

Ms. McKeown discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- A request to attain the support of the Committee;
- An introduction of the Barrie Bird Friendly team, members, member associations, and partners;
- A background of Nature Barrie;
- The Nature Canada certification aim;
- Reasons for the City of Barrie to achieve a Bird Friendly Certification;
- Why the City of Barrie qualifies for certification, the measures taken, the habitat protection, restoration, and climate resiliency;
- The Bluebird and Tree Swallow projects;
- Chimney Swifts and their habitat, survey statistics, and blitz counts;
- Saving the Barrie Central Collegiate chimney;
- Community outreach and education;
- What does the City of Barrie need to do to finalize certification;
- May 14, 2022 World Migratory Bird Day Proclamation;
- How can the City of Barrie help going forward; and
- Nature Canada criteria for a Bird Friendly City.

Members of the Committee asked questions of Ms. McKeown and received responses.

SUPPORTING THE NEXT TERM OF ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

The Committee discussed supporting the next term of the Active Transportation and Sustainability Committee and brainstormed ideas, such as sharing priorities to focus on, including the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Strategy and the Cycle Barrie Infrastructure Program, setting agenda items for a meeting of the next term, as well as creating a transition document on priorities to focus on, proposed action items, where the Committee left off, a breakdown between active transportation and sustainability, and a formal budget for education and outreach activities.

TRANSITION CONVERSATION - NEW TERM OF COMMITTEE

This item was discussed during the Supporting the Next Term of Active Transportation and Sustainability Committee item, and no further action was

taken.

BIKE THE NIGHT UPDATE

Councillor, K. Aylwin mentioned that the motion for funding for the event was approved by City Council.

Kelly Patterson-McGrath indicated that the sub-committee will be meeting to continue to work on event plans. Ms. Patterson-McGrath also mentioned that the applications for the event have been completed, no permits are required, and insurance will be provided through the City.

Laurel Hoffarth discussed advertisement and promotion with the help of Living Green Barrie through social media avenues.

CROMPTON PARK UPDATE

Councillor Aylwin indicated that there were no updates to provide, and no further action was taken.

STRAVA

The Committee discussed the Strava app, how to get a link to the app on the Active Transportation portion of the City of Barrie's website, to advocate its ability to set up groups and clubs to encourage residents to use the app, and to promote active transportation.

FUTURE CITY OF BARRIE EVENTS - ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION

Ms. Patterson-McGrath discussed getting assistance from staff for upcoming events within the City to make sure all forms are completed and all requirements are met.

The Committee agreed to defer this matter to the next meeting for further conversation with staff.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

CHAIRMAN